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CERTIFIED MAIL/RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

September 8, 1994

Mr. James Colter Northern Division Naval Facilities Engineering Command 10 Industrial Highway Mail stop 82 Lester, PA 19113-2090

Dear Mr. Colter:

RE: REGIONAL GROUNDWATER CONTAMINATION

SITES: 130003A, 130003B, 130004

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (NYSDEC) anticipates that, by the end of the calendar year, the on-site source control Records-of-Decision (RODs) for Grumman and the Navy sites will be in place. The Hooker/RUCO on-site source control ROD was executed on January 28, 1994. The remediation of these source areas is an integral step in the remedial programs for the respective sites. The next major step in the remedial programs is to develop a plan for addressing all of the groundwater contamination. The NYSDEC has determined that the best way to accomplish this is to develop a single plan for addressing the regional groundwater contamination problem. The purpose of this letter is to lay the foundation for developing a mechanism by which such a plan (ROD) could be written/issued. The NYSDEC will be the lead agency in his effort, with support from the New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH).

The NYSDEC has set a goal of July 1, 1995 for issuing the regional groundwater ROD. Therefore, the following tasks must be completed by the dates presented below:

- Occidental Chemical Corporation's Remedial Investigation (RI) efforts to the south and west of the Hooker/RUCO site must be <u>completed</u> in a manner acceptable to the NYSDEC no later than February 3, 1995.
- 2. An approvable Feasibility Study (FS) must be submitted to the NYSDEC no later than April 14, 1995. This includes all sampling and data validation work associated with the aforementioned RI.

The details of how the FS work will be conducted need to be finalized as soon as possible. All three PRPs should take part in this process, which will conclude with the development of a groundwater remediation/management plan which will be incorporated in the regional groundwater ROD to be written by the NYSDEC.

A meeting to discuss this matter has been scheduled for Friday, October 7, 1994 at 10:00 am in

Room 620 of the NYSDEC's offices at 50 Wolf Road in Albany. Your attendance at this meeting is requested as decisions on how the FS will be conducted, funded, etc., will be made at this meeting. Please advise Mr. John Barnes, P.E., of my staff, of the number of persons attending on behalf of the Navy no later than 4:00 pm on September 30, 1994.

If you have any questions regarding this matter or are unable to attend, please contact Mr. Barnes or myself, at (518) 457-3395. I look forward to meeting with you on October 7th.

Sincerely,

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